

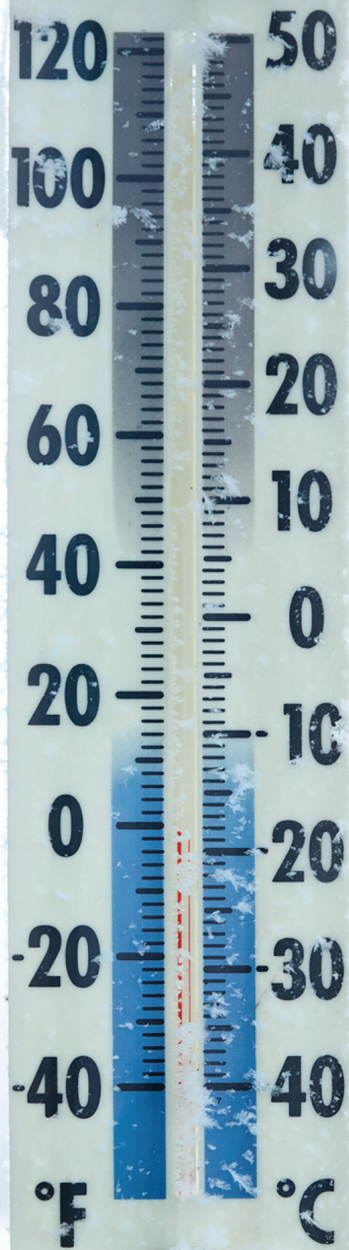
Bayfield Electric Cooperative seeks director candidates

members from the district for which the candidate is seeking election, and filed with the cooperative at least 90 days prior to the annual meeting which would be by **February 11** this year.

Qualification, Declaration of Candidacy and Official Petition Form to circulate for the required signatures. The following are the districts that will be up for election this year:

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- **District 3:** Drummond, Barnes, Delta, Mason
 • **District 8:** Ashland, Anderson, Morse, Gurney

BEC members are eligible to receive rebates on energy efficient appliances, lighting, HVAC, water heaters, and more! If you install energy efficient products at your property, submit a rebate form, receipt, and any other applicable documentation to the BEC office. Forms are available on our website at www.bayfieldelectric.com.



IT'S COLD OUTSIDE

Be alert for peak alerts

Winter is well upon us, and with that comes the time for peak alerts for cooperative members. A peak alert is likely to occur on colder days during the winter months. On these days, the demand for electricity is highest, which also brings the need to conserve energy use whenever possible. The level of demand determines a large portion of the cooperative's energy costs during this time. Reducing or delaying your electrical usage during a peak alert helps lower this cost.

The key is to reduce your consumption between the hours of 5 and 10 p.m. on these coldest winter days. This helps Bayfield Electric to save on our wholesale power bill, and this savings is passed along to the members. By turning off unneeded lighting and appliances, the amount saved can be substantial. You may visit www.bayfieldelectric.com under the Load Management tab to find current times and dates of being controlled. Peak-alert messages also run on the following stations:

- WATW 1400 AM
- WBSZ 93.3 FM
- WNXR 107.3 FM
- WJJH 96.7 FM

Curious what the Load Management program is?

The Load Management Program helps balance electrical supply and demand. The goal is to keep the amount of electricity used in balance with the amount of electricity generated, which results in a reduced need for future power plants. Load management is energy conservation at work.

Dairyland Power Cooperative, our wholesale power supplier, estimates that the program saves its system 70 megawatts of electricity in the summer and 160 megawatts in the winter—the equivalent size of a small power plant. It does so by reducing the system's total demand during peak use hours, generally between 3 and 9 p.m. If you are interested in participating in the Load Management Program, please contact our office.



DO YOU DEPEND ON LIFE-SUPPORT EQUIPMENT?

We need to know!

While Bayfield Electric Cooperative strives to maintain the best possible service with a minimum of outage time, occasional outages, either planned or uncontrolled, do occur. We at Bayfield Electric need to know the names and locations of cooperative members who depend on life-support equipment. It is important that this information be current and accurate. We will make every effort to give priority to restoring service to members on life-support systems. If you or a member of your family depends on life-support equipment, please fill out the form at right and mail it to us as quickly as possible.

Yes, I depend on life-support equipment

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Account/Location _____

Type of Support Equipment _____

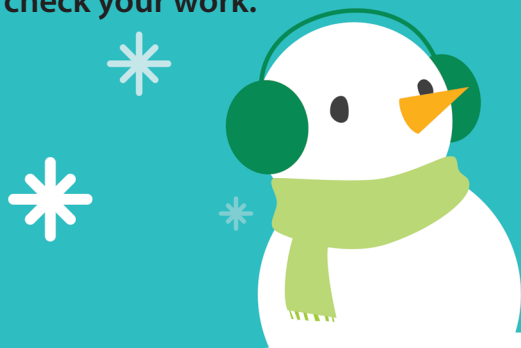
Do you have an emergency standby generator to operate this equipment?

Yes _____ No _____

Mail this form to Bayfield Electric Cooperative, P.O. Box 68, Iron River, WI 54847

WINTER WONDERLAND WORD SEARCH

Can you find all the words associated with winter in the puzzle? Use the word bank to check your work.



E	M	C	C	G	H	S	L	B	N	F	L	L	B	L
P	K	E	A	R	M	U	F	F	S	L	R	L	K	L
P	B	A	V	I	S	I	I	E	A	X	A	A	K	L
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C	X	I	R	Q	H	C	Z	L	C	A	X	W	W	L
P	H	F	O	Y	V	S	I	W	O	H	O	C	S	M
B	P	I	P	C	O	O	Y	J	C	D	A	J	Y	L
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Y	F	E	U	H	Z	V	D	N	L	W	R	B	Q	F

WINTER ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIP:

Instead of turning up the heat in your home, wear an extra layer of clothing or get cozy under your favorite blanket!

WORD BANK:

- snowflake
- mittens
- scarf
- snowball
- chilly
- icicles
- cocoa
- earmuffs
- fireplace
- blanket

Our Valentine to you

FIVE REASONS WE LOVE SERVING OUR MEMBERS

- 1. We love serving our members because without you, the co-op wouldn't exist.** Our purpose is to provide you with reliable, responsible, and safe electricity. That's why Bayfield Electric Cooperative was formed in 1945—to bring power to our local area when for-profit utilities would not.
- 2. You enable us to complete our mission by supporting our efforts to give back.** A major part of our mission is to serve our community and look after the greater good. With your support we're able to contribute to some of the organizations that work for the betterment of all the communities we serve.
- 3. Members of our co-op also serve on the board of directors.** They provide guidance for setting co-op priorities. Because our board members live in the area, they're able to serve as the pulse of the larger community and identify immediate and long-term needs. The broader co-op membership provides helpful input through their vote on director elections.
- 4. You help us get it right.** Bayfield Electric members are great about keeping us in the know. We do our best to avoid power outages, but Mother Nature can occasionally throw us a curveball. Our members were quick to report any power disruptions and are patient as our crews work to safely restore power.
- 5. You and other Bayfield Electric members make up the community we serve—and for us, it's all about community.** Our employees live and work here too and care about our community the same way you do. We're invested and work to help it thrive.

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

About 30% of a home's heating energy is lost through inefficient windows. Caulk and weatherstrip all windows to seal air leaks.

When running your home heating system, lock all operable windows to ensure the tightest seal possible.

Source: Dept. of Energy



MONTH OF FEBRUARY

**Billing date: February 8,
2022**

January usage

Bills due upon receipt

**Gross Due after
February 28, 2022**

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